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In re Application of:  
Paul F. Struhsaker, et al  
Application No.: 09/713,684  
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**DECISION ON PETITION**

This is a decision on your petition received in the Patent and Trademark Office on October 11, 2001 treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.53(b)(2)(ii) to convert the above identified application to a Provisional application under 35 U.S.C. 111 (b) and 37 CFR 1.53(b)(2).

The petition is granted.

The application will be processed in the Office of Initial Patent Examination (OIPE) as a Provisional application under 35 U.S.C. 111(b) and 37 CFR 1.53(b)(2), including the assignment of a new Provisional application number.

The Provisional application serial number is **60/331,350**. The filing receipt for the Provisional application number will be communicated to applicant by OIPE in due course.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Betty Robinson".

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